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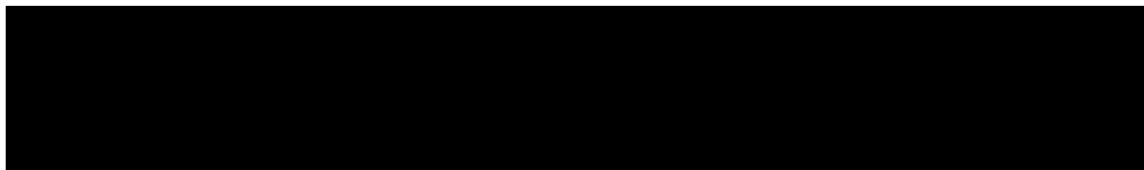
1. At the Executive Committee Meeting today:

a. I made a presentation on our space situation and offered five alternatives for consideration. General Carter felt that he would have to discuss the problem with the Director before making any decisions.

b. General Carter admonished everyone to be sure to write memoranda of meetings, conversations, etc., which they have with people from outside the Agency and to send the memoranda to the DDCI and/or the DCI so that they might have the full flavor of attitudes of other Government agencies on problems of mutual concern.

c. General Carter also emphasized to the Committee that no one in the Agency, other than the Director, had authority to declassify anything for use by the press. (Apparently there have been some recent flaps on this.)

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2. After meeting with the recruiters, General Carter asked me to advise him of what problems the recruiters have which we at headquarters should be doing something about. I asked Emmett Echols to prepare a brief memorandum on this subject.

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3. [redacted] telephoned to say that he had just returned from visiting OSA's installations on the [redacted] and thought that there was some duplication of effort between [redacted]

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[redacted] I told John that I didn't feel that I was in a position to do anything about this unless it is suggested by the Comptroller that I should. He also questioned why we didn't have more Agency people and fewer military people in this project. (I got the impression that he would raise these questions officially and that the DD/S probably would be asked to look into them.)

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4. At my request [REDACTED] looked into and advised me on the problem of what to do about people who have just been promoted to grade GS-16. These people will not be quite as well off financially as they would have been if they had remained in grade GS-15 until after the President has signed the new pay bill. It all boils down to this: Right or wrong, Congress passed this law with the full understanding that there would be some inequity such as this. We are not unique; the entire Government is in the same situation. Therefore, there is no basis upon which we can obtain relief; and it is certain that the Comptroller General would rule that the Director could not use his special authority in this instance.

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5. [REDACTED] was down to see me in considerable confidence about some conversations that he had with the Director on Sunday, 7 October. Apparently they had quite a discussion about the grades of the people in the Director's office - specifically, Messrs. [REDACTED]. Walt understood that Mr. Kirkpatrick has been instructed to promote Mr. [REDACTED] and him to supergrade status immediately; and it was Walt's impression that the Director intended that he be promoted more than one grade.

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6. Walt also advised me that the Director wanted to buy a "Gulfstream" airplane right away. I suggested that he take this problem up with [REDACTED]

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